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" " " 3 " 2½ %

T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager.

Hongkong, September 16, 1895. 846

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....$10,000,000.
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" 12 " 4 " "

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 15, 1896. 368

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

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For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, August 1, 1895. 1515

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL,.....£1,000,000.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL,.....£ 500,000.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors.

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Chief Manager.
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.
Interest for 12 months Fixed 5 %.

Hongkong, October 23, 1894. 1711

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL,.....£1,500,000.
SUBSCRIBED,.....£1,125,000.
PAID-UP,.....£ 562,500.

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Interest allowed on Current Accounts at the Rate of 2 % per Annum on the Daily Balance.

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J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, May 5, 1896. 928

WING YUEN & Co.,
DEALERS IN
PLUMBAGO, MICA, AND ASBESTOS.
KIM WING,
General Manager,
No. 80, Praya Central.
Hongkong, May 19, 1896. 1023

Business Notices.

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Hongkong, June 20, 1896. 1262



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Hongkong, June 15, 1896. 1220

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HARRY WICKING,
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Hongkong, June 17, 1896. 1232

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ROME, par ZOLA.
Figaro Salon, 1896.
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* See Special Advertisement.

For Freight or Passage, and further Particulars, apply to

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, June 20, 1896. H. A. KITCHIN, *Superintendent.* 1258

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Hongkong, June 13, 1896. 1211

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Hongkong, June 18, 1896. 1240

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Intimations.

NOTICE is hereby given that I, the Undersigned, have for and on behalf of the FIRST MORTGAGEES This Day entered into Possession of the S.S. *AZAMOR*, and further that NO DEBTS contracted either by the said SHIP or by her CREW will after this date be Paid, unless the accounts bear my Signature.

P. GIBSON,
Attorney for the 1st Mortgagees,
S.S. *Azamor.*

Hongkong, June 19, 1896. 1250

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J. & G. STODART'S
FINE, OLD
WEST OF SCOTLAND
Whisky.

PRICE, ... $12 per Case of 12 Quarts.

Dodwell, Carlill & Co.,
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Hongkong, March 2, 1896. 478

Intimations.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

In the Matter of the Estate of PERCEY REDGRAVE WILSON, late of Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, *Deceased.*

NOTICE is hereby given that His Honour WILLIAM MEIGH GOODMAN, Acting Chief Justice, has, by virtue of Section 3 of Ordinance No. 9 of 1870, made an Order limiting to the 1ST JULY, 1896, the time for sending in CLAIMS against the said Estate.

All Creditors are hereby required to send in their CLAIMS to the Undersigned before the said date.

Dated the 30th May, 1896.

J. W. NORTON KYSHE,
Registrar and Official Administrator.

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SIEN TING,
Surgeon Dentist,
No. 10, D'AGUILAR STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE.
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Hongkong, April 9, 1895. 624

Notice of Firm.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Admitted Mr. THOMAS HIRD REID into PARTNERSHIP in the NEWSPAPER, PRINTING and PUBLISHING BUSINESS connected with THE 'CHINA MAIL,' such Partnership to take effect as from the 1st day of July, 1896.

GEO. MURRAY BAIN.

China Mail Office,
Hongkong, May 20, 1896. 1049

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

FOURTH CLEARANCE SALE OF THE HONGKONG TRADING CO.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 24th June, 1896, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at the HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY'S PREMISES,—

THE REMAINING STOCK-IN-TRADE,

comprising:—

FURNISHING GOODS,

such as

CARPETS, COIR MATTING, CORK MATS, CUSHIONS, CRETONNES, TICKING, FURNITURE TRIMMINGS, IRON BEDSTEADS and COTS, SPRING MATTRESSES, BILLIARD REQUISITES, BRASSWARE, &c.

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Also,

A QUANTITY OF GENTLEMEN'S AND LADIES' DRAPERY, STATIONERY, HABERDASHERY AND SUNDRY ARTICLES.

Catalogues will be issued prior to Sale. On View from *Tuesday*, the 23rd June.

N.B.—The FIXTURES, FURNITURE, SAFES, &c., will be SOLD on **THURSDAY**, the 25th June, 1896.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMMERT, *Auctioneer.*

Hongkong, June 18, 1896. 1241

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY General MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Company's OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 22nd day of June, 1896, at 3 o'clock p.m., when the Subjoined Resolution will be proposed.

That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following:—

(*a*) Paragraph 10 of Article 2, which now reads as follows:—"Auditors Secretary and Manager mean those "respective Officers from time to "time of the Company" and the marginal note of the same paragraph shall be cancelled, and in lieu thereof the following marginal note and paragraph shall be inserted that is to say

"Chief Manager — "Chief Manager "tively mean the "persons for the "time being per- "forming the du- "ties of these re- "spective officers."

(*b*) In Article 69 the words "One thousand dollars" shall be eliminated and there shall be substituted therefor the words "two thousand dollars."

(*c*) In Article 70 the words "Chief Manager" shall be substituted for the word "Manager."

(*d*) In Article 72 and in the marginal note thereof the word "Manager" where it occurs shall be eliminated and the words "Chief Manager" shall be substituted therefor.

(*e*) At the end of Articles 83 and 87 there shall be added the words "or "Chief Manager."

Should the above Resolution be duly passed it will be submitted for Confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated the 10th day of June, 1896.

By Order of the Board,

THOS. I. ROSE, *Secretary.*

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Hongkong, June 2, 1896. 1131

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Hongkong, June 12, 1896. 233

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Hongkong, June 8, 1896. 1177

To-day's Advertisements.

STEAMSHIP *ERNEST SIMONS.*

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London and Havre ex Steamship *Memphies*, and from Bordeaux ex Steamship *Cambrai*, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LD., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon TO-DAY, the 20th Instant, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after SATURDAY, the 27th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before SATURDAY, the 27th Instant, or they will not be recognised.

All Damaged Packages will be examined on FRIDAY, the 26th Instant, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, *Agent.*

Hongkong, June 20, 1896. 1258

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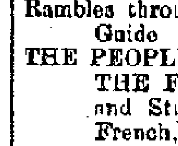
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Hongkong, June 20, 1896. 1256

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STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, PORT SAID, MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP.



The Co.'s Steamship *Kagoshima Maru*, Captain TRENNT, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 7th July, instead of the Chartered Steamship *Balmoral* as previously advertised.

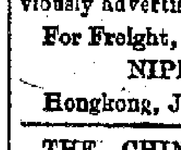
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Hongkong, June 20, 1896. 1261

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The Co.'s Steamship *Pakling*, H. L. ALLEN, Comm'der, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 10th July, at 5 p.m.

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Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	*Vessels.*	*Agents.*	*Date of Leaving.*
Bremen & Ports of Cal	Prinz Heinrich (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd.	June 23, at 9 a.m.
Havre, H'bg & London	Carmarthenshire (s)	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	About June 27.
Japan	Ancona (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	July 3, at noon.
London, v. Suez Cana	Glengarry (s)	Jardine, Matheson&Co	June 22, at 4 p.m.
London, v. Suez Cana	Hector (s)	Butterfield & Swire	June 26.
London, v. Suez Cana	Agamemnon (s)	Butterfield & Swire	July 6.
London & Ports of Cal	Kaisar-i-Hind (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	July 2, at noon.
London, v. Ports of Cal	Moyune (s)	Holliday, Wise & Co.	June 22, at 5 p.m.
London, v. Ports of Call	Kagoshima Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	About July 7.
London, v. Ports of Call	Pakling (s)	Holliday, Wise & Co.	July 10, at 5 p.m.
London	Japan (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About June 26.
Manila	Yuensang (s)	Jardine, Matheson&Co	June 24, at 5 p.m.
Marseilles, v. Saigon	Caledonien (s)	Messageries Maritimes	June 24, at noon.
Melbourne	Taiman (s)	Butterfield & Swire	June 30.
NewYork, v. SuezCana	Hankow (s)	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	July 3, at noon.
New York	Gerard C. Tobey	Siemssen & Co.	Quick despatch.
New York	Manuel Flaguo	Siemssen & Co.	Quick despatch.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	China (s)	Pacific Mail S. S. Co	June 25, at noon.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	Belgic (s)	O. & O. S. S. Co.	July 4, daylight.
San Francisco	Socotra	Shewan & Co.	Quick despatch.
Shanghai	Szechuen (s)	Butterfield & Swire	June 22, at 3 p.m.
Shanghai	Pekin (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About June 28.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Prometheus (s)	Butterfield & Swire	June 24.
S'hai, N'ki, K'be & Y'ma	Sunda (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About June 26.
S'pore, Havre & H'burg	Gerda (s)	Siemssen & Co.	June 27, at 4 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & C'tta	Lightning (s)	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	June 23, daylight.
Swatow, Amoy & T'foo	Thales (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	June 21, daylight.
Sydney and Adelaide	Guthrie (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	July 2.
Tacoma (Wash.), &c.	Tacoma (s)	Nor. P'fic S. & R. Co.	June 23, at noon.
Tientsin	Nanchang (s)	Butterfield & Swire	June 22.
Vancouver (B C) &c	Empress of India (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	July 1, at noon.
Yokohama and Kobe	Cassius (s)	Lauts, Wegner & Co.	June 23, at 4 p.m.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

June 19:—

Tai Lee, German str., 828, T. Calender, Bangkok June 13, Rice.—MEYER & Co.

June 20:—

Taisang, British steamer, from Canton.

Taiwan, British steamer, from Canton.

Ernest Simons, French steamer, 2,162, Le Troadec, Marseilles May 17, and Saigon June 17, Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Apenrade, German str., 610, H. Ipland, Saigon June 16, Rice.—JEBSEN & Co.

Kong Beng, British steamer, 800, H. Brater, Bangkok and Koh-si-chang June 14, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Phra Chula Chom Klao, British steamer, 1,012, B. Pigot, Bangkok June 12, and Hoihow 19, Rice and General.—YUEN FAT HONG.

Moyune, British steamer, 3,016, Chas. H. Kemp, Foochow June 18, General.—HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

DEPARTURES.

June 20:—

Inverclay, for Canton.
Elise, for Puget Sound.
Keong-wai, for Swatow.
Progress, for Touron.
Deuteros, for Saigon.
Petrarch, for Saigon.
Zafiro, for Manila.
Chusan, for Saigon.
Haitoong, for Swatow.
Taiwan, for Shanghai.
Ernest Simons, for Shanghai.
Rohilla, for Singapore and Bombay.

CLEARED.

Triumph, for Hoihow.
Thales, for Swatow.
Evandale, for Kutchinotzu.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Ernest Simons*, for Hongkong: from Marseilles, Mr G. Evans; from Nouméa, Messrs Ali Tamp, At Chi, Ching Fo, Lam Lo; from Bombay, Mr Apo; from Singapore, Mr J. D. Ross, and 4 Indians; from Saigon, Mr L. Suidter, Dr Yersin and 2 Indians, and 141 Chinese. For Shanghai: from Marseilles, Mr and Mrs Toche and baby, Messrs Chauveau, Capel and Devoye; from Singapore, Mrs Cecile Bennertz, Mr Ikun, and Mr Ifeko; from Saigon, Mr and Mrs Natechi. For Kobe: from Singapore, Messrs P. Pakako and Hoyeyol. For Yokohama: from Marseilles, Mr A. der Arendt, H.E. Luis de la Barrèra (Spanish Minister); from Bombay, Messrs W. E. Leveson, Foshima and B. Ariga; from Singapore, Mr Mashuyama, Capt. Cossons, and Mr Hagashi.

Per *Tai Lee*, from Bangkok, 35 Chinese.

Per *Kong Beng*, from Bangkok, 10 Chinese.

Per *Phra Chula Chom Klao*, from Bangkok, 30 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Whampoa*, for Sydney, Mr and Mrs Howell.

Per *Zafiro*, for Manila, Mr and Mrs H. D. C. Jones, Messrs E. H. Warner and Hy. Sledge.

Per *Keong-wai*, for Swatow, 30 Chinese.
Per *Deuteros*, for Saigon, 100 Chinese.
Per *Petrarch*, for Saigon, 12 Chinese.
Per *Chusan*, for Saigon, 20 Chinese.
Per *Haitoong*, for Swatow, 300 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per *Triumph*, for Hoihow, 100 Chinese.

Per *Thales*, for Swatow, 3 Europeans, and 150 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German steamer *Tai Lee* reports: Had light to moderate winds and sea throughout the passage.

The British steamer *Kong Beng* reports: Had light S.W'ly wind, fine weather. June 17th, at 10 a.m., spoke steamer *Chow Fa*, bound South, in lat. 11.39 N., long. 109.14 E. June 17th, at 11 a.m., spoke steamer *Chow Tai*, bound South, in lat. 11.39 N., long. 109.14 E.

The British steamer *Phra Chula Chom Klao* reports: Had light S.E. to Southerly winds and fine weather throughout. June 19th, spoke s. s. *Hanoi*, aground off Hainan Head, expected to float at high water (4 p.m.) same day.

The British steamer *Moyune* reports: Had fine clear weather, wind S.W., sea smooth, strong against the ship all the way.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For CANTON.—
Per *Powan*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 21st June.

For TIENTSIN.—
Per *Nanchang*, at 2.30 p.m., on Monday, the 22nd June.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per *Taisang*, at 3.30 p.m., on Monday, the 22nd June.

For SINGAPORE.—
Per *Glengarry*, at 3.30 p.m., on Monday, the 22nd June.
Per *Moyune*, at 4.30 p.m., on Monday, the 22nd June.
Per *Gerda*, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 27th June.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.—
Per *Lightning*, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the 22nd June.

For HOIHOW, SINGAPORE & BANGKOK.
Per *Machew*, at 8.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd June.

For KOBE.—
Per *Australian*, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd June.

For SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA, WASH.—
Per *Tacoma*, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd June.

For PENANG & SINGAPORE.—
Per *Onsang*, at 3.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd June.

For MANILA.—
Per *Yuensang*, at 4.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 24th June.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
Per *Ancona*, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 3rd July.

MAILS BY THE GERMAN PACKET.—

The German Contract Packet *Prinz Heinrich* will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 23rd June, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe and countries beyond, *viâ Brindisi*; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, &c., &c.

Registry ceases at 7.30 a.m.

The mail closes at 8 a.m. Late Letters till 8.30 a.m., with 10 cents extra postage.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet *Calédonien* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 24th June, with Mails for the yond, *viâ Marseilles*; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, Madras, the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—

The United States Mail Packet *China* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 25th June, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

11 A.M. Registry ceases.

11.30 A.M. Post Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet, *with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage* until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S PACKET.—

The Canadian Pacific Mail Packet *Empress of India* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 1st July, with Mails for Shanghai, Japan, United States, Canada, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

10.00 A.M. Registry ceases.

11.00 A.M. Post-Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet, *with the Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage*, until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—

The British Contract Packet *Kaisar-i-Hind* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 2nd July, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries beyond, *viâ Brindisi*; to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

HOURS OF CLOSING THE ENGLISH AND FRENCH MAILS.

When the Packets leave at Noon.

The following hours will be observed in closing the Mails for Europe, &c., by the English and French Packets, when they leave at Noon. The Money Order Office will be closed at 5 the day before.

8.00 A.M.—Posting of Prices Current and Circulars ceases.

(Prices Current and Circulars may however be posted up to 10 o'clock if they are tied in bundles, country by country, with the addresses all one way).

10.00 A.M.—Registry ceases.

10.30 A.M.—Posting of Newspapers, Books, and Patterns ceases.

11.00 A.M.—Mail closes.

LATE LETTERS may be posted (from 11.10 A.M.) *with 10 cents late fee* up to 11.30 A.M., after which hour they may be sent on Board with the same Late Fee.

MONEY LETTERS.—The Post Office decline all responsibility for unregistered Letters containing bank notes, coin, or jewellery, and, where Registration has been neglected, WILL MAKE NO ENQUIRIES into alleged losses of such letters (Post Guide, Par 80)

REGISTRATION.—Correspondence can be registered for all Private Ship mails up to five minutes before the time for closing; for the Shanghai, or Yokohama contract mails, up to a quarter of an hour before; for mails for Europe, &c., up to an hour before; American, Canadian, Indian, Northern Pacific and Torres Straits mails, up to half an hour before.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—*Thales* leaves for Swatow, &c.

ORDER OF CHORAL SERVICE AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.—2ND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. JUNE 21ST.

Matins:—Venite, Barnby; Psalms, Smart & Pye; Te Deum, 91—Garrett in F; Benedictus, Troutbeck; Anthem, 6, 'Blessed are they that dwell,' B. Tours; Hymn, 172; Kyrie, 140, Dykes in F; Offertory Hymn, 321.

Evensong—Psalms, Crotch & Madley; Magnificat, Camidge in E; Nunc Dimittis, Kelway in D; Hymns, 279, 262 & 28.

UNION CHURCH.—SUNDAY, JUNE 21.

11 a.m.:—Voluntary, 'Where'er you walk' Handel; Hymn, No. 12 (Melcombe), Webbe; Hymn, No. 128 (Southwark) Tye 1559; Hymn, No. 393 (Lux Benigna), Dykes; Anthem, 'Blessed are they that dwell in thy House,' Berthould Tours; Psalm, Double Chant, Battishill; Voluntary, 'Prelude & Fugue,' Dr Gladstone.

6 p.m.:—Voluntary, 'Return O God of Hosts' (Samson) Handel; Hymn, No. 490 (Franconia), German; Hymn, No. 109 (Miles Lane) Shrubsole; Hymn, No. 408 (Ewing), Ewing; Hymn, No. 286, Doane; Hymn, No. 499, Ritter 1792; Voluntary, 'Cornelius March,' Mendelssohn.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH (WANCHAI) SUNDAY, JUNE 21.

10.30 a.m.:—Hymns, 12, 29, 90, 879.
6 p.m.:—Hymns, 219, 226, 223, 90; Psalm, CIII.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Shipping.

3 p.m.—*Szechuen* leaves for Shanghai.
4 p.m.—*Glengarry* leaves for London.
5 p.m.—*Moyune* leaves for London, &c.
Nanchang leaves for Tientsin.

Meeting.

3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ld., at the Company's Office.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Rohilla* not cleared after 4 p.m. subject to rent.

Goods per *Monmouthshire* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day at 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer ...	29.77	29.78	29.70
Temperature	83	86	85
Humidity ...	74	78	71
Direction of Wind ...	SW	SW	SW
Force ...	1	1	3
Weather ...	o	c	c
Rain ...	—	0.37	—

Highest open air temperature on the 19th.........88
Lowest open air temperature on the 19th.........77

F. G. FIGG, *First Assistant.*
Hongkong Observatory, June 20, 1896.

Exchange.

HONGKONG, June 20, 1896.

On London—	
Bank, Wire, ...	2/2⅜
„ On demand, ...	2/2⅜
„ 30 days' sight, ...	2/2½
„ 4 months' sight, ...	2/2¾
Credits, 4 „ ...	2/2¾
Documentary, 4 months' sight,	2/2⅞
On Paris—	
Credits, 4 months' sight, ...	2.82
On Berlin—Demand, ...	2.24
On New York—	
On demand, ...	53⅝
Credits, 60 days' sight, ...	54⅜
On Bombay—	
Wire, ...	187
On demand, ...	187½
On Calcutta—	
Wire, ...	187
On demand, ...	187½
On Shanghai—	
On demand, ...	72½
30 days' sight, private paper ...	73½
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael)	$46.90
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	$ 8.93
Silver (per oz.) ...	31¾d.

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Hongkong, January 9, 1896. 75

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 1896.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

(SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER).

OUTWARD BOUND:—*Rose Castle, Balmoral, Cedar Branch*, May 8; *Glenesk, Sunda*, 29; *Myrmidon, Kecmun*, June 2; *Merionethshire*, 5; *Diomed, Bellona, Weimar*, 9; *Borneo, Ixion, Salazie, Egremont*, 12; *Ningchow*, 18.

HOMEWARD BOUND:—*Ghazee*, April 22; *Frigga, Maria Teresa*, 23; *Oopack, Tantalus, Nerite*, May 1; *Queen Olga*, 8; *Tosa Maru*, 13; *Aglaia*, 15; *Oolong, Dorothea Rickmers*, 19; *Sachsen, Dardanus, Shanghai*, 22; *Yarra, Boynton, Elektra*, 26; *Telena*, 29; *Niobe, Ping Suey, Priam, Menelaus*, June 2; *Canton*, 5; *Saghalien, Idzumi Maru, Irene*, 9; *Glenshiel*, 12; *Radnorshire*, 16.

Mails.

The German Mail steamer *Prinz Heinrich* left Shanghai (via Foochow), on Thursday, June 18, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 21st June.

The O. & O. s. s. *Belgic*, with mails, &c., left Nagasaki for this port at midnight on June 18.

The *Empress of India* arrived at Nagasaki at 6.30 a.m. on June 18, and left at 4 p.m. for Hongkong, via Shanghai.

The N. P. s. s. *Victoria* left Tacoma on the 4th June for this port, via ports of call.

Steamers Expected.

The s. s. *Woolwich* (Siemssen & Co.), from New York, left Singapore on June 13, and may be expected here on or about June 20.

The s. s. *Wingsang*, from Calcutta and Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 16th June, at 6 p.m.

The D. D. R. s. s. *Oceana*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on June 17, and may be expected here on or about the 24th June.

The O. S. S. Co.'s new steamship *Prometheus*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the morning of June 18, and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, June 24.

The C. N. Co.'s s. s. *Changsha*, from Australian ports, left Port Darwin for this port on June 18, and may be expected here on or about Saturday, June 27.

Latest Advices.

The N. P. s.s. *Victoria* arrived at Yokohama on the 19th June, and is to sail for this port, via usual Japan ports of call, on the 20th June.

The N. G. I. s.s. *Letimbro* left Singapore for this port on the 19th June, and may be expected here on or about the 26th June.

The China Mutual Company's steamer *Ningchow*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 18th June, and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 1st July.

The China Mutual Co.'s s. s. *Kaisow*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, will only leave Singapore on Monday, the 22nd June (having been quarantined), and may be expected here on or about June 28.

The s. s. *Empress of China*, left Yokohama for Vancouver on June 19.

The Silk ex s. s. *Empress of Japan* was delivered in New York on the 19th June.

The Nord. Lloyd steamship *Preussen*, carrying the German mails, with dates from Berlin to the 1st June, left Colombo on Friday, June 19, and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 30th June.

The N. Y. K.'s chartered s. s. *Osborne* left Singapore on June 20, and may be expected here on or about June 26.

THE delivery of the French Mail was begun at 9.27 a.m.

TO-DAY all H.M. ships in the harbour are decorated with bunting on the anniversary of the Accession of Queen Victoria. The *Onsang* is also decorated.

THERE is at present a large number of sailing ships in the harbour, a larger number, we believe, than we have had for several years. According to our table of vessels in the harbour, there are twenty-two sailing ships, and they are mostly of large tonnage.

ON Sunday morning, between 9 and 10.30 o'clock, the steam-launch *Dayspring*, carrying the Bethel flag, will call alongside any vessel hoisting the answering pennant, to convey men ashore to 11 a.m. service at St. Peter's (Seamen's) Church, returning about 12.30.

A SIMLA telegram dated June 4, states that it has been decided not to take up the new drafting of the Indian Merchant Shipping Bill during the present year, the Financial Department not deeming new special legislation necessary. What is Hongkong going to do in a similar matter? Have the proposed new passenger regulations been abandoned?

THE eleventh session of the International Congress of Orientalists is to be held in Paris from the 5th to the 12th September, 1897. The President for the year is M. Charles Schefer. There are seven sections and several sub-sections. The second section is devoted to the Languages and Archæology of the Far East. M. Ed. Chavannes is the Secretary for China and Japan, and M. P. Lefeure Pontalis, Secretary for Indo-China, Malaysia, and Polynesia.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS:—At *Kowloon*—Taichow, Kutsang, Montañes, Anger Head, Activ, Columbus, Hongkong.

Cosmopolitan—Wandering Jew, Framnes, Australian.

Aberdeen—Harland.

ALLISON Pianos, Art Models, very fine, $400/450; Cabin Pianos, small but excellent $175/200.—W. Robinson & Co.

THE French gunboat *Aspic* struck an uncharted rock in the Gulf of Siam on the 3rd inst., and has had to be docked for extensive repairs.

THE Austrian cruiser *Panther*, which is on her way to the China Station, arrived at Bombay on the 31st May. After remaining there a week she was to proceed to Marmagoa for two days.

THE M. M. mail that arrived to-day (says the *Straits Times* of the 13th June) brought London dates to the 23rd of May—just twenty-one days out from London. The mail was received at the Singapore post office at 7.5 a.m. and was completely sorted at 8.30 a.m.—very smart work.

THE share of this Colony, says the *Singapore Free Press*, for the cost of the dies for the new British dollar amounted to $329. There would appear to be about that number in circulation here, judging from the rare occasions on which these coins are ordinarily met with.—Singapore must be worse off than Hongkong in this respect, for the British dollar seems to have ousted the Mexican almost entirely in general use.

BY the French mail we learn the reason for Field Marshal Yamagata's return to Japan from Berlin without visiting London. Prior to going to Moscow to attend the coronation ceremony, he visited Berlin to consult the celebrated surgeon Professor Renvers, having suffered from a stomach complaint since the war, and he again returned to Berlin after the coronation to place himself under the professor for treatment.

MANY Hongkongites will learn with regret of the death of Mr Harry Stanley, the popular proprietor of Stanley's Opera Company. Mr Stanley's death occurred in Australia where he had gone on business, and it was due to heart disease. Much sympathy will be felt with Mrs Stanley and her two daughters, the Misses Fannie and Rosie Stanley, who have been stopping in Madras since Mr Stanley left for Australia.

PROGRESS of the Straits Military Contribution:—1890 $877,757; 1891 $664,549; 1892 $675,805; 1893 $752,523; 1894 $736,447; 1895 $777,725.

IT is stated (says a Home paper) that one at least of the cruisers of the Particular Service Squadron which the Admiralty has decided to break up will be ultimately sent to the China Station.

THE Russian Volunteer Fleet steamer *Vladimir* arrived at Singapore on the 12th inst. *en route* to Vladivostock from Odessa. She had on board 37 passengers and 950 emigrants, men, women and children.

MR Charles H. Campbell having resigned the liquidatorship of the Bank of China, Japan, and the Straits (Limited), on taking up an appointment in Australia, Mr Frederick Bishop has been appointed liquidator in his place.

THE return of deaths for Singapore for the week ended June 6th shows 230 deaths. To fever 75 deaths are attributed; to bronchitis 20; to cholera 9 and to diarrhoea 19. The rate per mille comes to 58·94.—*Free Press.*

AT the last meeting of the Blackburn Chamber of Commerce it was reported they had decided to send two experts on the mission to China, and were awaiting the arrival in London of a gentleman who, if he would accept the post, would make an admirable head for the mission.—*L. and C. Express.*

SIR Algernon Lyons presided at a meeting at Devonport on 15th May, in connection with the relief fund raised for the widows and families of the forty-eight men who were drowned owing to the capsizing, near Chemulpo, of one of the boats of the cruiser *Edgar*. It was reported that £2,661 had been subscribed, and it was decided to close the fund.

A GOLD medal of the Paris Geographical Society and the Herbet-Fournet prize of f. 6,000 have been conferred on M. Auguste Pavie, as a recognition of his many explorations in Indo-China, and for the considerable part he has taken in the expansion of France in the Far East. In the absence of M. Pavie the presentation was made on his behalf to M. Le Myre de Vilers.

THE death is announced of Captain W. E. Thompson, well known to passengers by the P. & O. Captain Thompson was commander of the 'Ohusan,' and towards the end of June last year, says the *Englishman*, he was compelled to leave his ship and go into the Calcutta General Hospital, where he underwent a most painful operation. He left for England a couple of months later, and it was hoped that he would be able to pull through.—*Times of Ceylon*, June 2.

A CORRESPONDENT, who is said to be well informed of what is passing in diplomatic circles on the Continent, writes to the *L. and C. Express*:—'It is a pity England has now her hands full everywhere, and seems, therefore, rather neglecting her interests in the Far East. To me it seems there must exist a lucid understanding between the Continental Great Powers and Russia, giving the latter a free hand in the Far East on condition of giving no trouble in Europe. This would also explain Germany's attitude last year.'

MR F. G. Tait, of the Black Watch, has won the amateur golf championship for 1896, Scotland thus maintaining her position of last year when Mr Leslie Balfour-Melville secured the title. The championship meeting on the splendid links of the St. George's Club at Sandwich proved one of the best ever held. The new champion's skill was very severely tested in the preliminary rounds, for, before he reached the final, he had to beat such great golfers as Mr Charles Hutchings, Mr J. E. Laidlay, Mr John Ball and Mr Horace Hutchinson. The result of the final round was:—Mr F. G. Tait (Black Watch) beat Mr H. H. Hilton (Royal Liverpool) by 8 up and 7 to play.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL.']

LONDON, June 18, 1896.

THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

The St. Louis Convention has nominated Mr McKinlay.

THE VENEZUELA DISPUTE.

Venezuelan troops have entered the disputed territory and stopped the operations of British surveyors.

CHINA AND RUSSIA.

Li Hung Chang denies the existence of a secret treaty between China and Russia, but admits that a Russian railway will be built through Manchuria.

RESULT OF THE OAKS.

LONDON, June 5.

The following is the result of the race for the Oaks:—

Lord Derby's *Canterbury Pilgrim*...1
The Prince of Wales' *Thais* 2
Mr J. C. Hill's *Proposition* 3

(*Bangkok Times*).

BARCELONA IN A STATE OF SIEGE.

London, June 11.

A state of siege has been declared in Barcelona owing to anarchist outrages.

WEATHER NOTICE.

The following notice was issued by the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 20th at 11.25 a. The depression in the North seems moving Eastward in the Sea of Japan. The barometer has fallen generally, particularly on the S.E. coast of China. Pressure is normal in the neighbourhood of Hongkong, slightly low in Luzon, about the Formosa Channel and along the East coast. Forecast:—moderate S.W. winds; fair.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

The second ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong Electric Co. Ltd., was held in the Company's Offices, No. 27 Queen's Road to-day. Mr H. L. Dalrymple presided. The other gentlemen present were:—Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving and Mr J. Kramer (Directors); Messrs C. S. Sharp, A. B. Johnson, J. Stewart, E. J. Hughes, G. C. Cox, L. E. Ozorio, O. Baptista, S. H. Michael, Leung Sham Lam, A Sung and C. F. Harton (Secretary).

The Secretary read the notice calling the meeting.

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, the Report and Accounts having been in your hands for some time, I propose, with your permission, to take them as read. As you will observe from the figures given in them the position shows a satisfactory advance on that of the previous year, the profit on working account being $24,093.92 as against $8,858.35. It may seem somewhat anomalous that this increase in our net profits should be so large, while the gross earnings of the Company show only some $6300 increase over those for the previous year, but it will be remembered that the figures for last year included a considerable sum brought forward from the account for 1893 and 1894 as representing installation work them in hand but uncompleted, whilst the item in the accounts now before you contains no such carrying forward. The principal increase has been in the revenue from incandescent lighting, and a reference to the manager's report will show you that the number of these lamps has increased from the equivalent of 3740 of 8 c.p. to about 5150, and it is to be hoped this means of lighting, which seems to give satisfaction, may come further into favor. We have also installed some 7 arc lamps in H.M. Naval Yard, but as these were only brought into use on 1st ult. there is no revenue from that source included in the accounts now before you. Against our increased earnings for lighting we have had, of course, to meet some additional expenditure, but I am glad to say that in the matter of coals the average cost has been materially reduced as foreshadowed in my remarks of last year. Our contracts having been renewed at a more moderate figure, this important matter will continue to have our our closest attention. In the items of salaries, wages and charges there has also been some increase, chiefly arising from additional expenses including passage money in consequence of leave given to a portion of the staff. The item of interest you will observe is on the credit side of the account this year instead of forming a Dr. Entry as in the past; this is partly due to our financial position being better and also to our having credited the accounts with all interest or unpaid calls of the shares previously forfeited. You will notice from the report, we have disposed of all these at a satisfactory price, and an item for profit on some appears in our Profit and Loss Account. In consequence of the continued increase in the number of houses in the Colony, notably on the Praya Reclamation, it has appeared to the Board that there must be a prospective increased demand for our Light, to provide for which will necessitate some considerable addition to our plant; and the Directors have decided to take advantage of Mr Wickham's presence in Europe to commission him while there to select and purchase the necessary machinery of the latest and most suitable type for our requirements. To provide funds for this expenditure it will be necessary to make further calls on Shareholders and the Board will in all probability call up towards the end of the year the balance of capital, say $2 per share. With reference to the amount available for disposal you will notice that the Board has set apart a sum for Directors' Fees. This is really less by $1000 than the Company's articles allow of, but considering the full results of the Company's working have not yet been attained, the Board have for the present decided not to take the full amount. I would remind shareholders that these are the first fees the Directors have had since the commencement of the Company in 1890. We have considered it advisable in the best interests of the Company to again set aside a fair amount for depreciation of Plant, &c., and I think the course should recommend itself to all shareholders, and I trust that the proposed appropriation of our profits will meet with your approval. Our Manager, Mr Wickham, left for home on the 4th of this month on furlough, and it is expected he will be absent for some eight months or so. I have pleasure in again recording the satisfaction the Board have felt with the care and attention bestowed on the work by Mr Wickham and the rest of the staff. These, gentlemen, are all the remarks which occurs to me to make in regard to the Company's affairs; but before moving the adoption of the Report and Accounts, I shall be pleased to answer any questions shareholders may wish to put to the chair.

No questions being asked, the Chairman proposed the adoption of the report and accounts as presented.

Mr A. B. Johnson seconded.

Carried unanimously.

Mr G. C. Cox moved the re-election of Hon. C. P. Chater and Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving as Directors.

Mr G. Stewart seconded.

Unanimously carried.

Mr A. B. Johnson moved the re-election of the auditors, Messrs Stewart and Peter.

Mr Ozorio seconded.

Carried unanimously.

The Chairman—Gentlemen, that is all the business before the meeting. I hope when we meet again this time next year we shall show even better figures. The dividend warrants will be ready on Monday or Tuesday, and I hope shareholders will apply for them. I thank you for your attendance.

'FRAGRANT WATERS' MURMUR

That I see you still refer to the possibility of establishing a Sanitary Department, and endeavour to bring forward reasons to prove that an Official Department is an impossibility.

That I had supposed the desirability of having our Sanitary affairs placed in the hands of a Board of elected members (with, perhaps, a few officials) had been definitely decided upon by the British community.

That perhaps you supposed this expression of opinion was not quite so definite as it might have been.

That I would not mind staking a small sum for charity on this issue—that, if the ballot were taken now, the majority in a vote for an Unofficial Majority in the Sanitary Board would be larger than it was on the last occasion.

That the thing goes without saying.

That when a Department fancies it can go its own way, unimpeded by anything short of an action at law, the springs of action are very different from those of a body of men who regard public rights as a thing to be protected.

That, although your reference to slackness in sanitation may hit the official element as hard as you please, the chief trouble lies in this—that, although the Sanitary authorities do not appear to know what their legal powers are even now, they can and do give more trouble than seems to be necessary to preserve health.

That the back-wave appears to have begun to have its effect, and there will be trouble in the Sanitary camp for the next few weeks.

That, after making all allowance for the desire to cleanse the Colony and to rid it of the awful Bubonic filth disease—aye, and of the obstructiveness of the Chinese towards many of the proposed improvements and preventives,—it must be admitted there has been something loose either in the terms of the law, or in their application.

That, speaking of the delay in the Completion of the Praya Reclamation, it must not be forgotten that the Government stopped the work for some time, at the request of several large lot-holders, on the ground that the expense was proving to be too great a strain on the finances of the residents.

That I should not be a bit astonished but the Government would throw this in the teeth of those residents who are now urging the speedy completion of the reclamation.

That, so far as I can understand the complaint of lotholders, it is this, that the work has been carried on upon lines which are quite opposed to all sanitary rules.

That the proposals made for the convenience and health of the public have been consistently and persistently ignored, and the inevitable results are now being demonstrated to every occupier of the Praya Front.

That this is no surprise to any one who knows the policy adopted by the officials who are permitted to rule the Colony.

That, all the same, the nuisance need not have been accentuated in this way, had the Governor found out for himself the real facts of the case.

That I notice the Surveyor General of Ceylon retires from the Service in December next.

That we in Hongkong have received several civil officers from Ceylon, and have given Ceylon one or two in return, and I fancy we are now quite ready to donate yet another one to the spicy shores.

That it is fairly satisfactory to find the cases of Bubonic Fever dwindling in number, and this fact is all the more reassuring at the present time, because the Sanitary Authorities are likely to be kept busy about matters rather outside of that disease.

That I hear the medical experts (curiously enough, none of our experts seem to be British) have made discoveries about the Bubonic Bacillis which have rather surprised everyone concerned.

That it is now over two years since the Bubonic fever (or Plague) made its deadly appearance here, in the largest commercial port out of the United Kingdom, and the services of no British expert have been considered necessary to scientifically examine the disease.

That it may be easier and more economical to depend in such matters upon experts of other nationalities.

That whether the results obtained are from British or non-British sources, I mean not a whisper against the source itself—only that the special protectors of the third British port in the world might have sent a British expert to see to it, you know.

That, speaking of Bubonic Fever—I hate the word Plague, partly because of its vagueness—surely the Government do not purpose applying its rule of merely 'doing his duty' to the relatives of Inspector Moffat.

That there is something about the frequency of cases amongst Europeans during the last year or two, as against the comparative immunity of Europeans during the epidemic of 1894, which calls, I think, for the strictest inquiry by a Special Committee.

That the Government, or the community, ought to express its sympathy for the relatives of Mr Moffatt, goes without saying; and I have no doubt the community will do so, if the Government fail.

That there is an uneasy feeling, however, in the Colony about the possibility or probability of Europeans contracting the disease referred to, and I think it is the duty of the Government to sift this matter to the utmost.

That I need not say the desire to keep the Colony clear of such a filth disease ought to be strong enough in all conscience; but the desire would perhaps become all the stronger, and the efforts made be all the more hearty, if it were found why and how even Europeans may become unconscious victims to the disease.

That it is no use disguising the fact that the filth is present by reason of the Chinese, and it is therefore only a question of filth-effects, and not race-distinction, which prompts the proposal now made.

BROWNIE.

RACHALS and Brinsmead's Pianos have no rival for tone, strength and appearance.—W. Robinson & Co.

LINTON, the English cyclist, has covered thirty miles in an hour at Paris, thus beating the world's record. The best British record before this was that of J. W. Stocks who, on October 14 last, at Catford, covered 29 miles 45 yards in the hour.

OUR 'Popular' Piano, handsome, full-toned, strong; guaranteed wear, $395/365.—W. Robinson & Co.

SANITARY BOARD ACTIVITY.

At the Magistracy to-day, before Commander Hastings, Choy Chan, as executor of Choy Leong Shai (deceased), was charged with committing a breach of Byelaw No. 5, made under Section 13 of Ordinance 15 of 1894, in not keeping the backyards of Nos. 26 and 28 Gage Street, clear of obstruction.

Dr Clark appeared for the Sanitary Board, and Mr V. H. Deacon appeared for Choy Chan.

John Readdie, Inspector of Nuisances, spoke to visiting the houses recently and to noticing obstructions in the backyards. The obstruction at 26 Gage Street was a tile shed and the area of the obstruction was 9 feet 4 inches. The obstruction at 28 Gage Street extended to 11 feet 4 inches. In cross-examination by Mr Deacon, he admitted that 3 feet 6 inches as allowed by the Ordinance, had to come off at No. 26, which left 5 feet 10 inches, and that 3 feet 6 inches had also to come off the obstruction at No. 28, which left 7 feet 10 inches obstruction.

Mr Deacon's defence was that the houses had been owned by Choy Chan since 26th August, 1886, when he purchased them for $12,000. These so-called obstructions existed at that date, and they had never been altered, added to or amended from that date down to the present. He contended that Byelaw No. 5, and the Ordinance No. 15 of 1894, under which the Byelaw was made, not being retrospective in their operations, could not apply to houses which were not altered since the Ordinance and Byelaws were passed. Mr Deacon quoted Devarris on Statutes, Maxwell on Statutes, and the *Law Times* Report, and was proceeding with further authorities, when the Magistrate said that he must succeed if he proved that the obstructions were in existence before the Ordinance or the Byelaws were passed, and had not been altered.

Mr Deacon then called evidence as to the facts.

Mr R. K. Leigh said he visited the premises recently and had made a plan of them, which was put in evidence. He described the nature of the alleged obstructions.

See To Leong said he was rent collector to Choy Chan, the defendant, for upwards of twenty years. He knew 26 and 28 Gage Street ever since they were purchased by the defendant in 1886. The alleged obstructions existed when the property was purchased, and they had never been altered or added to since that time. When the houses were first purchased by Choy Leong Shai they were numbered 24 and 26, but about two years ago the numbers were altered and they were now 26 and 28.

Mr R. C. Vania said he was a merchant and had resided in 26 Gage Street since 1883. He knew the erection over the yard at the back of the house. It was there in 1883, and had remained there ever since in the same state without alteration.

Mr Deacon then put in the title deeds of the property, and submitted it was clearly shown that these houses could not come under the operations of the Byelaw in question, inasmuch as he had proved that the alleged obstructions existed in 1836 when the property was purchased, and had never been altered or added to since that day, and that the Ordinance and Byelaws not being retrospective in their operations his Worship must feel himself constrained to dismiss the summons.

Dr Clark submitted, in reply, that the Byelaw did have a retrospective operation, and did affect the houses in question.

His Worship said he had made up his mind on this point, and dismissed the charge.

CORRESPONDENCE.

DISCHARGE OF SEAMEN AT FOREIGN PORTS.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

Hongkong, 19th June, 1896.

SIR,—In your issue of the 13th inst., you printed a paragraph from *Truth* headed the 'Discharge of Seamen at Foreign Ports.' Attention is called to certain supposed grievances of seamen discharged through wreck of ship, sickness, or those discharged by mutual consent. Suggestions are made that in the case of wreck the shipowner should continue the wages of the seaman for a reasonable period after the wreck. If a factory on shore is burnt and the workmen are bound by agreement to remain at their work for a certain period, will their employer continue to pay wages after the factory is burnt; or, if any of them get sick, will they not be discharged as soon as they are incapable of working? Any Consular or Colonial Officer can refuse to discharge a seaman on the ground of mutual consent if he has good grounds to suppose that the seaman is going to become the prey of the Boarding Master.

Shipowners at the present time seldom insure their ships for full value; generally taking a part of the risk themselves, as the underwriters decrease the percentage of premium if the shipowner takes a part of the risk; the more risk the shipowner takes the more will be the reduction of rate for the portion of the ship insured. In most foreign ports good seamen can get employment; it is only the lazy ones that require to be sent home at the cost of the country. With regard to the slop shop grievance, many seamen who have been improvident are only too glad to be able to buy clothing without which they could not perform their duty, the skilful performance of which is the pride of every British seaman. We are told that it is to the advantage of the larger shipowners to provide for their wrecked and sick seamen; this may be philanthropy, but it is not business, and if our merchant navy is to hold its position the two things must be kept separate.

'Tis quite true that we have had legislation for the benefit of seamen, but it has not made them better. On the contrary, seamen are more frequently punished in our Courts. All sorts of charges are proved against them. Let the seaman feel that he must depend on himself, let him have a bonus at the end of the voyage for good conduct, encourage him to remain in one ship for at least two voyages, let him have employment on board at home if he wants it; if he will not behave himself discharge him and let him taste the bread and water of affliction; it is the only way to bring him to his senses. The writer has been a seaman for many years; he has been cabin boy and cook, mate and master. Nothing would give him greater pleasure than to see the merchant sailor improved in position, but he is quite sure that there will be no improvement if the sailor has not to depend greatly upon himself.—Yours,

SHIPMASTER.

TRAVELLERS' TALES AND ROWDYISM IN SUN-WEI CITY.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

Canton, June 19, 1896.

SIR,—In the opening sentence of your able and timely leading article of Wednesday, June 17, you say 'The Hon. G. N. Curzon in his "Problems of the Far East" has provided texts innumerable on the subject of China.' In spite of a constant and ever-increasing stream of literature dealing with China, it is still true that China is at the best but imperfectly understood. For this misunderstanding writers are to some extent responsible. Not long ago a clerical traveller said of Canton that it was as much as a man's life was worth to go into the city after dark. Personally I would rather take my chance in Canton after dark than in Hongkong or even some parts of London. A great deal of the ideas that are abroad with regard to China are of this nature. I expect if one were to meet this reverend gentleman in his parish at home he would reply that he was told so when he was in Canton,—'I have been there, and sure I ought to know.'

Having finished your interesting editorial, the next item of importance was the report of an adventurous journey from Canton to the Yangtsz, and there I read among other things the description of a visit to Sun-Wei city and the following sentence to which I wish to call attention:—'I have since had reason to believe that no Europeans, except ourselves, have ever set foot within the hospitable city of Sun Wei without being stoned.' So the traveller was told, but if the other information he has to supply is on a par with this we shall need more than the proverbial grain of salt. As one who has again and again visited the city of Sun Wei and traversed its streets in every direction, I must protest against the above sentence as inaccurate and misleading. I know also that I do not form a second brilliant exception to the stoning practice, for to my certain knowledge Europeans, men and women, have lived in the city without being subject to this treatment.—Thanking you, Mr Editor, in anticipation for your favour of making this statement known,—I am, Yours truly,

S.

THE JAPANESE IN FORMOSA.

BRITISH INTERESTS IN THE ISLAND.

It is scarcely an exaggeration to say that, commercially speaking, Englishmen discovered Formosa. They started the tea trade, which has attained such great dimensions, and developed the sugar and camphor trade. It is an open secret that China was willing to cede the island to us, to save it from Japan, and that the inhabitants would have acquiesced in the transfer; but politics were complicated at the time, and the Japanese solution seemed to offer the line of least resistance. It is scarcely exaggeration, again, to say that Japan owes Formosa to England; for if England had said we will join in protecting Chinese integrity in the north, on condition that you protect it in the south, one can hardly doubt that Formosa would have remained Chinese. Our reward seems to be that we are to be 'regulated' out of the island. A Japanese merchant frankly admitted lately, in conversation with a Hongkong contemporary, that that should, in his opinion, be the object pursued. Competing against foreigners, he thought the 'Japanese would have no chance. . . . If we let him (the foreigner) come in and trade on equal terms, we will have no fair share of the trade. If we drive him out, we will control it. Why should we not?' Verily, why not? Who expects gratitude from nations? But if, it may be repeated, there had been a statesman at our Foreign Office, the thing might have been rendered impossible by preagreement. 'If we acquiesce in your occupation of Formosa, it must be on the understanding that existing trade conditions shall not be disturbed.' Can anyone doubt that Japan would have agreed? But then no one could expect statesmanship from Lord Kimberley. It has been said that nations have the Government they deserve; and it has been said that the evil men do lives after them. The late Government held the initiative at a time when the world's politics were something in incipient turmoil, and a pretty legacy they have left!

The Japanese have been called the French of the East. Resemblance may be found in their pugnacity, in their vanity as as well as in their quick-wittedness, and in a capacity for hyper-organisation that would drive an Englishman mad. It has been calculated that about one adult male Frenchman in eighty is an official employé, and it has been asserted with confidence that the evasion of matrimony in France is due largely to the official difficulty with which marriage is surrounded! One of the things that struck first visitors to Japan was the prompt appearance on the deck of the *Furious* of duplicate official scribes who set to make notes of all they saw and heard. One of the characteristics of Japan to-day is the presence of duplicate policemen in the street guard-houses; and domiciliary visits are among the inflictions which English residents anticipate when the new treaty shall come in force. This mania for regulation is venting itself, just now, in Formosa; and the latest outcome is a set of regulations for the government of the sugar and camphor trades that the first in-export may perceive to be intolerable. Every movement and well-nigh every purpose is subject to license, and tax, and record, and report, and inspection—even of the very account books and implements used. Complaints are made of irregular taxation in China; but fiscal 'regulations' in Formosa, as piled up in twenty-three rules for dragooning the sugar trade and twenty-three (beautiful similarity of precision!) governing the camphor trade, threaten to be as several Storks to King Log.

That there is room for the introduction of more efficient government than that of the Chinese mandarins, in the outlying districts, few who have acquainted themselves with the conditions of the camphor trade, at any rate will deny. 'The townspeople' (as Mr John Dodd wrote last year in the *Scottish Geographical Magazine*) 'are kept in good order by fear of the officials, but the Hakkas on the borders care very little for mandarin rule. . . . At the very limits of civilisation, where charcoal-burners, timber-cutters, and camphor-distillers are at work, many Chinese find an asylum who have escaped from the clutches of mandarindom. Outlaws of this description are totally different from the ordinary Hakka, whose aim is to grab a considerable piece of land, cultivate it, marry and settle down. The men who go in for charcoal-burning and camphor-making are, as a rule, a miserable class, often descending below the level of the worst beggar savage of the borders.' Such men are not, it may be conceived, scrupulous in their dealings with the savages, or careful in their operations on the camphor-trees. If Japanese administration were directed to the control of such, and to assuring permanence of supply by planting of saplings and re-afforestation of denuded tracts, it would have the sympathy due to civilising and economical influence. But the methods really adopted appear to savour of the bearing which has made the name of Japan detested in Korea. Compelling respectable townsmen to doff hat to a sentry—and knocking it off if they are not quick enough—is not a method that commands either sympathy or respect. Arresting, fining, and ill-treating foreign compradores wholesale is an infraction of treaty as well as uncivil behaviour. Nor was it necessary to close all the camphor-stills and drive away the workmen, and exact title deeds for jungle tracts, as a preliminary to regulating the camphor manufacture and trade. 'Now,' writes a gentleman who has been for years concerned in the trade,—'they calmly inform us that those already engaged in the business can continue by paying the tax, but they make no mention of the loss they have caused. We shall have to gather together our workmen and rebuild our stills (which in most cases have been wrecked by the savages), and all this will cost us nearly as much as it will cost newcomers to begin.' The camphor trade, being somewhat of a monopoly, will probably recover from the ill-treatment and support the projected taxation, though whether foreigners will be able to retain their interest in it may be open to doubt. But there seems a consensus of opinion that, in raising the tax on white sugar from c.30 to c.35, and on brown from c.18 to c.30, the Japanese will kill the Formosan trade, as Formosa will not be able, under those conditions, to compete with China, the Philippines, and the Spice Islands.—*L. and C. Express.*

NEWS BY THE FRENCH MAIL.

(*Times of Ceylon.*)

THE LATE CAPTAIN CHRISTIAN.

Calcutta, June 1.—Further details received state that the late Captain H. W. Christian, of the King's Royal Rifles, now at Jullundur, died at Suru, Kashmir, on the 21st from enteric fever. Surgeon-Captains Leishman and Chevers were with him.

THE DERBY.

Calcutta, June 2.—The big Calcutta Turf Club Derby Sweep amounts to about R580,000, of which fifty per cent. goes to the winner. The reported drawer of *St. Frusquin* has sold a half of his ticket for R85,000.

London, June 2.—Sir J. Blundel Maple has scratched *Yorker* for the Derby. The Duke of Westminister has announced that he will not run *Regret* in the Derby unless it wins before to-morrow.

June 4.—The victory of the Prince of Wales with *Persimmon* was received with immense enthusiasm at Epsom and all over the country. *Persimmon* won by a neck in two minutes forty-two seconds, which is the record time. The weather was absolutely sultry, and the attendance of the public enormous. *Teufel* came in fourth. The other horses which ran were *Bay Ronald*, *Knight of the Thistle*, *Gulistan*, *Bradwardine*, *Spook*, *Toussaint*, and *Tamarind*. The betting at the start was 5 to 1 against *Persimmon*; 13 to 8 on *St. Frusquin*; 33 to 1 against *Earwig*; and 11 to 1 against *Teufel*.

DETAILS OF THE RACE.

Calcutta, June 6.—A special telegram to the *Asian* gives the following details about the Derby:—Eleven horses were sent away, after some delay, to a capital start. The first to show to the front was *Toussaint*, followed by *Bradwardine*. Settling down *Bay Ronald* made play for a quarter of a mile when *Gulistan* passed him and held the lead to the top of the hill, being displaced again by *Bay Ronald*. Getting into the straight Loates shook up *St. Frusquin*, who, answering, shot to the front, followed by *Persimmon*. After a few strides the latter challenged *St. Frusquin*, and passing him won a splendid race, amidst the greatest excitement, by just a neck.

THE CHOLERA EPIDEMIC IN THE MADRAS GOLDFIELDS.

Bangalore, May 29.—Cholera continues to rage at the Coregam Goldfields and the Bowringpet taluq. Other places close by have been put out of bounds for troops in garrison. At yesterday's Municipal meeting Dr Ross, as acting Residency Surgeon and Chairman of the Public Health Committee, in asking sanction of the Commissioners for extra establishment, said that he expected cholera every day in Bangalore from the goldfields.

THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF BENGAL.

Calcutta, June 1.—It does not seem quite certain, after all, that Mr Bompas, Q.C., will succeed Sir Comer Petheram as Chief Justice of Bengal. In the event of the retirement of Mr Justice Cave, Mr Bompas may be elevated to the English Bench, in which case another Chief Justice of Bengal will have to be selected.

THE BENARES RIOTS.—RETIREMENT OF NATIVE OFFICERS.

Calcutta, May 28.—As a result of a military enquiry into the conduct of the 16th Bengal Infantry in connection with the late riots at Benares, it is understood that the Government of India, acting on the recommendation of the Commander-in-Chief, has retired the senior Native Officer and the next senior officer but two. Both officers have been doing duty up to now with their regiment stationed at Fort William.

THE LEE-METFORD RIFLE.

Simla, May 30.—It has been definitely decided that cordite ammunition from the current year will be manufactured wholly in India. According to the opinion of experts at home the Lee-Metford rifle on the Indian pattern is most suitable for the use of troops in India, and orders will be issued accordingly; it is believed, at an early date.

ROBBER BANDS IN PERSIA.

Allahabad, May 29.—It appears that a few robber bands ventured upon depredations in Persia when news of the Shah's death became generally known. Baron Gaertner, the new German Ambassador, had his baggage looted on the high road to Teheran, and at Bast a telegraph official engaged in repairing a break on the Indo-European line fell among thieves. He was stripped of his clothes, but pluckily carried on his work, and restored telegraphic communication.

FATAL RIOT BY STUDENTS IN CAIRO.

Cairo, June 2.—A riot has taken place among the students at the Elashar Mosque here, where a case of cholera had occurred. The officials on seeking to enforce sanitary measures were resisted, and the police who came to their aid were stoned and the Governor was wounded. The police then opened fire and killed three of the students. One hundred arrests were made and order was eventually restored.

June 4.—The cholera is now decreasing both here and in Alexandria.

THE SOUDAN CAMPAIGN.

London, June 1.—The Hon. G. Curzon, replying to Mr John Morley in the House of Commons, said that there had been no negotiations with Germany regarding recent events in the Soudan. Communications had passed between the British Government and Italy, but they were solely of a Military nature. Therefore it was impossible to publish them.

Calcutta, June 2.—The Indian Marine steamer *Canning* is being prepared at Bombay to receive the Commissariat Stores, and details of the general hospital for Suakim. The *Canning* leaves on the 6th instant.

London, June 3.—In the House of Commons last night Mr Balfour announced that a telegram had just been received from the Government of India asking that no final decision be taken regarding the cost of the Indian contingent at Suakim until Her Majesty's Government had heard the views of the Indian Government. Mr Balfour said that the discussion on Lord George Hamilton's resolution would therefore be postponed.

COLONEL CARRINGTON'S OPERATIONS.

London, June 4.—Colonel Carrington, who is now at Buluwayo, intends sending three columns to attack the Matabele in the Matoppo hills.

A TURKISH CONVOY IN CRETE CUT UP.

Athens, June 4.—A telegram received here from Crete states that the insurgents have cut to pieces eighty-five Turks who were bringing (? war) material from Vamos.

Martial law has been proclaimed.

BYE-ELECTIONS.—TWO WINS FOR THE RADICALS.

London, June 3.—Mr J. B. Barlow, the Liberal candidate, has been elected for Frome by a majority of 299 votes over Lord Alexander Thynne, the Conservative. Mr T. C. Hedderwick, Radical candidate, has been elected for Wick Burghs, in place of Sir John Pender, defeating Mr Smith, Unionist, by a majority of 212.

[At the General Election last year, Viscount Weymouth (Conservative) was elected for Frome Division (Somerset), defeating John Emmett Barlow (Liberal) by 5063 votes to 4660. A Conservative majority of 403 has therefore been turned into a minority of 299 in less than a year. In 1895, Sir John Pender (Unionist) defeated Mr Hedderwick (Liberal) by 913 votes to 889.—ED., *C.M.*]

THE MOSCOW DISASTER.

London, June 3.—Careful estimates that have been made show that two thousand seven hundred perished in the Moscow disaster, which was due to complete absence of police measures. The people fell pell mell in great hollows in the vicinity of booths, wherein tables were spread with food and presents.

A TRANSVAAL FORT BEING BUILT BY A GERMAN.

The first fort in the hills to the southward of Pretoria is being built rapidly by a German engineer.

SERIOUS ILLNESS OF SIR JAMES BROWNE.

Calcutta, June 1.—News has reached Simla of the serious illness of Sir James Browne, the British Agent at Baluchistan. It is believed he is suffering from rheumatic complications.

June 2.—Sir James Browne is better. He probably takes leave for home as soon as he is able to travel.

GREAT STORM AT CHITTAGONG.

Calcutta, June 1.—A storm of great violence occurred at Chittagong on Wednesday morning. Great damage was done to the houses and the railway, and to the Colony at Pahurteli; and the destruction of trees on the trunk road was phenomenal.

THE SIMLA POLO TOURNAMENT: LUCKNOW WINS.

Calcutta, June 2.—Lucknow defeated the Viceregal team in the final at the Simla Polo Tournament by eight goals to five.

THE SECRETARY OF THE INDIAN LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Calcutta, June 3.—It is understood that Mr Harvey James, Secretary of the Legislative Department, will shortly retire from the Service.

A PILGRIMAGE TRAGEDY.

News has been received from Bombay that Aga Junghi Shah and his son, Abbas Shah, have been murdered between Jeddah and Mecca while on a pilgrimage from Poona. They had a retinue of fifty attendants as a precaution against hostile attacks, three of whom turned traitors and stabbed Aga Junghi Shah while at prayer. The two murderers were captured.

June 4.—The latest news concerning the murder of Aga Junghi Shah and his son shows that the crime was committed by enemies, and not by their own followers. Two assassins and several others implicated have committed suicide in prison.

THE PROPOSED KABUL WATER-WORKS.

Calcutta, June 3.—The proposed water-works project for Kabul is making steady progress. Messrs Martin & Company, engineers, who have charge of the scheme have deputed a special man to Kabul, who is now surveying and preparing plans and estimates for submission to the Ameer.

THE INDIAN CAVALRY DINNER AT SIMLA.

Calcutta, June 4.—The Indian Cavalry Dinner took place last night at the United Service Club, Simla. Sir George White, Sir Edwin Collen, and General Grant were the only guests.

THE INDIAN TROOPS ARRIVE AT SUAKIM.

News has been received of the safe arrival at Suakim of all the Indian troops, except those in the last vessel, which was delayed at Bombay.

ANOTHER POLO ACCIDENT.

Calcutta, June 6.—Lieutenant Haworth, of the 5th Lancers, met with a serious polo accident at Poona yesterday afternoon. He is still unconscious.

THE PROSPERITY OF CAPE COLONY.

London, June 5.—The budget of the Cape Colony shows a surplus of one and a quarter million sterling, which is unprecedented. The Premier mainly attributed the prosperity of the Cape to its remaining part of the British Empire.

MR. BALFOUR ACCUSES ITALY OF WANT OF DISCRETION.

London, June 5.—Mr Labouchere moved that the House do adjourn, for the purpose of demanding further explanations regarding the Nile expedition. Sir Wm. Harcourt supported the motion, and quoted from the Italian Green Book to show that the expedition was undertaken in the interest of Italy, and that the idea of any danger to the Egyptian frontier was purely an afterthought. Mr Curzon replied that the Italian despatches were only gloss placed upon the language of Lord Salisbury by the Italian Ambassador. The Government, he said, took certain steps for the security of Egypt, which had the advantage of assisting Italy. Mr Balfour defended the non-publication of correspondence with Lord Cromer, and concluded by declaring that confidential negotiations would be impossible unless greater discretion was shown than had been shown by Italy in connection with the recent Green Book. The motion was eventually rejected without a division.

(*Rangoon Gazette.*)

THE SOUDAN.

Simla, June 4.—The Government of India's despatch on the question of the ordinary expenses of the Suakim contingent being defrayed by India left Simla on Tuesday morning last. The memorial contains the exhaustive opinion of those Members of Council consulted, including strong expressions of opinion against the proposal, it is believed, by the principal military authorities and Sir James Westland.

June 5.—Colonel Egerton wires, under date evening 4th June, all well with the troops. Heat is very excessive.

The Indian Contingent to leave in the Autumn will be under the command of a General officer.

THE TIBETAN FRONTIER.

Allahabad, June 5.—The petty trouble between the Nepalese and Tibetans, which was noticed in April, has blown over. It never really assumed a serious character. There is no probability now of any Commission being sent to the Sikkim-Tibet frontier. Matters therefore will remain *in statu quo*.

FRENCH REVERSE IN AFRICA.

London, June 5.—Reuter's correspondent at Brass telegraphs that the French expedition to the Niger has been totally routed at Burgu and many killed. The remnant of the expedition reached Kiama on the 12th May. The Niger Company is sending assistance.

THE LATE RIOT IN CAIRO.

London, June 5.—Sixty Syrian students concerned in late riot at Cairo have been banished.

THE FRENCH IN MADAGASCAR.

London, June 5.—Advices from Madagascar state that fifteen hundred insurgents have burnt the village where the Norwegian mission was situated. A body of French troops relieved the missionaries and killed two hundred of their aggressors.

THE RECENT RIOTS.

Calcutta, May 31.—The Mahomedans concerned in the recent riot at Lower Hoogli mills, acting in conjunction with the employes of the Upper Hoogli Jute mills, appeared before the Alipore magistrate on Saturday and applied for summonses against the Hindoos who outraged their religious feelings on the Bakrid by killing a pig in the compound of the former mill. The application was granted and summonses have been issued.

Several of the soldiers of the Royal Munster Fusiliers lately engaged in quelling the riot at Titaghur, having partaken freely of water after a long double in the heat of the sun, presented symptoms of cholera and one case has proved fatal. The others are doing well.

RAUB AUSTRALIAN GOLD MINING COMPANY.

The following is the report presented at the general meeting held on May 18th:—

The Directors have the pleasure to present herewith the Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account for the year ending 31st March, 1896, the Singapore Accounts incorporated therein having been closed on 29th February.

Work at the Mines has progressed satisfactorily; the Railway has been completed and, so far, answers expectations. Had it not been for the expenditure connected with this and other Capital items, a dividend could have been declared at an earlier date, and in addition to that now payable on 18th May. Shareholders are referred to the Mining Manager's Report for details.

The report contains a recommendation that the Crushing Power at Raub should be increased to 100 head of Stampers, to be worked by electricity. This matter has engaged the attention of the two Boards for a considerable time; and a Specification is now being prepared which will permit an estimate of cost being arrived at. Under any circumstance—should the work be undertaken—the outlay will be considerable, and the Singapore Board suggest that the Uncalled Capital of the Company (or so much of it as is required) should be utilised to furnish funds.

Your Directors, however, hesitate to commit Shareholders to heavy payments, even over an extended period, without first obtaining a decided expression of opinion from those most interested; and it is probable that after the General Meeting, to be held on 18th May, a Special Meeting will be called, at which the issues will be distinctly formulated and discussed.

In accordance with the Articles of Association, all the Directors—Messrs De Burgh Persse, Robert Philp, George Frederick Scott, and James Forsyth, and the Auditors, Messrs W. Robertson Strong, and T. A. Bond—retire, but are eligible for re-election, and offer themselves accordingly. It will devolve upon the Meeting to fix the Auditors' remuneration.

DE BURGH PERSSE, *Chairman*.

Brisbane, 15th April, 1896.

HONGKONG AND FORMOSA IN PARLIAMENT.

GERMAN MAIL STEAMER'S OFFICERS AT HONGKONG.

On the 15th May, Mr Moon asked the Secretary for the Colonies whether the officers of the German mail steamer who were recently sentenced for entering forts at Hongkong with photographic apparatus, had, prior to their arrest, taken any photographs of or in connection with any of the forts; and, if so, whether such photographs were impounded.

Mr Chamberlain: The Governor has reported by telegram that no photographs of the forts were taken by the German officers in question, whose original sentence of imprisonment with hard labour was commuted after a re-hearing to a fine of $100. (Hear, hear.)

CHINESE SHIPPING IN FORMOSA.

Mr Moon asked the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs whether the Japanese Government had accorded to the Chinese greater entering facilities in Formosa for their ships than heretofore; and whether such additional facilities would be also available for English ships.

Mr Curzon: We have no information of any such facilities having been granted to China. British shipping would undoubtedly participate in any benefits secured to the shipping of China. (Hear, hear.)

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Mr Erich George's Weekly Share List, compiled by his Attorney, Mr J. Y. V. Vernon, and dated Hongkong, 20th June, reads as follows:—

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghais, with a further advance in the London rate (£43.10s.), shares have ruled firmer with small sales at 188, 189, and 190 per cent. prem. for cash, at 195, 196 per cent. prem. for August, and 197 and 198 per cent. prem. for September. Market closes quiet with sellers. Nationals have changed hands and are in demand at $29.

Marine Insurances.—Small sales of China Traders' at $79½. Unions at $230 and $235, and of Cantons at $200, comprise the business of the week.

Fire Insurances.—Hongkongs have been negotiated at $335 and $337½, and Chinas at $95, $96, and $97, both closing steady.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macaos continue neglected with small sales at $34 and $34½. Indo-Chinas and Douglases have both ruled quieter with only small sales at quotations. China and Manilas have been placed at $73 and close in demand at the rate.

Refineries.—China Sugars continue on offer at $114 without sales or buyers. Luzons, after sales at $67, $68, and $69, close weaker with sellers at the last rate.

Mining.—Punjoms, with no result of cyanide clean up yet to hand, have continued quiet with only small sales at $15¼ to $15⅜. All other mining stock has ruled neglected with small sales at quotations. The transfer of the Oliver and Balmoral properties is apparently not yet completed, although the telegram circulated by the managers on the 9th inst., and published in the *China Mail* of the same date, said definitely that it was. The managers appear to have made some mistake in the translation of the telegram, or at any rate to have now arrived at the conclusion that its meaning is doubtful.

Docks, Wharves, and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks continue neglected with no business to report. Kowloon Wharves.—The meeting called for the 13th inst. did not arrive at any conclusion in regard to the leasing of the Wanchai godowns, and another meeting was called for the 18th, at which it was decided to lease the Wanchai godowns for ten years on the terms originally offered. Shares have fluctuated between $54 and $56 with a good many sales, and close somewhat weak at $55. Wanchais are enquired for, but no shares are to be had.

Lands, Hotels, and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands have been in fair demand, and sales have been effected at $72, market closing steady. Hotels have slumped to $26 with sales. West Points continue out of favour.

Miscellaneous.—I have to report sales of Green Islands at $17½, Fenwicks at $28, Electrics at $7.50, Ropes at $126, and Watsons at $12¾ and $12½.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER *ROHILLA*.

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S GODOWNS at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 22nd Inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and notice of same given to the Undersigned, on or before the 24th Instant, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, June 16, 1896. 1229

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. *MONMOUTHSHIRE*,
FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd Inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 22nd Inst., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 22nd Inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, June 16, 1896. 1228

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *TACOMA*,
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

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Hongkong, June 18, 1896. 1238

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Hongkong, June 20, 1896. 1247

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Hongkong, June 19, 1896. 1251

GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

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Hongkong, June 12, 1896. 1149

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Hongkong, June 18, 1896. 1144

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Hongkong, June 19, 1896. 1226

ROYAL PACKET NAVIGATION COMPANY OF NETHERLANDS-INDIA.

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Hongkong, June 19, 1896. 1248

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Hongkong, June 19, 1896. 1253

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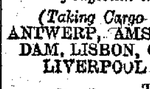
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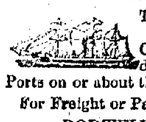
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Hongkong, June 6, 1896. 1160

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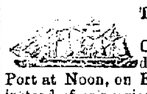
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Hongkong, June 19, 1896. 1205

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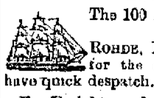
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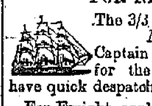
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HARRY WICKING,
Praya Central.

1421

SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOKS, or PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Address: Care of SUPERINTENDENT.

Mails.

U. S. Mail Line.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

China (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	THURSDAY, June 25, at noon.
Peru (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	SUNDAY, July 12, at daylight.
City of Rio de Janeiro (via N'asaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	WED'SDAY, July 29, at noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship *CHINA* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *vid* NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 25th June, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination, the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, *via* Overland Railway, to Havana Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, June 10, 1896. 1171

Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE,
VIA
THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND
ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Belgic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, July 4, at daylight.
Coptic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)	TUESDAY, July 21, at noon.
Gaelic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, Aug. 8, at noon.

THE Steamship *BELGIC* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *vid* NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 4th July, at Daylight, connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passengers Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, June 10, 1896. 1361

Mails.

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA & BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO,
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Prinz Heinrich	Tuesday	June 23.
Preussen	Tuesday	July 21.
Sachsen	Tuesday	August 18.
Bayern	Tuesday	September 15
Prinz Heinrich	Tuesday	October 13.
Preussen	Tuesday	November 10

ON TUESDAY, the 23rd day of June, 1896, at 9 a.m., the Company's S.S. *PRINZ HEINRICH*, Capt. O. CUPPERS, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this port as above, *calling at* NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on SATURDAY, the 20th June, Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 p.m., on MONDAY, the 22nd June, and Parcels will be received (at the Agency's Office) until NOON, on MONDAY, the 22nd June. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.66, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in measurement.

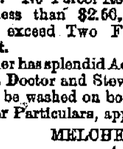
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For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & Co.,
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Hongkong, May 29, 1896. 1096



STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship *KAISAR-I-HIND*, Captain C. L. DANIEL, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 2nd July, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports. (This Steamer connects at Bombay with the Steamship *CALEDONIA*, leaving that port on the 24th JULY, for LONDON Direct).

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed *vid* Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, June 18, 1896. 1242

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE OF STEAMERS.

UNDER MANAGEMENT OF THE ROYAL PACKET NAVIGATION COMPANY OF NETHERLANDS INDIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS).

JAVA-HONGKONG-YOKOHAMA-KOBE-AMOY-HONGKONG-SINGAPORE-JAVA.

FROM HONGKONG TO JAVA.

S.S. *Germania*	June.
S.S. *Federation*	July.
S.S. *Cassius*	August.

TO JAPAN.

S.S. *Cassius*	June.
S.S. *Germania*	July.
S.S. *Federation*	August.

General Agents for China & Japan:
LAUTS, WEGENER & Co.

Hongkong, June 4, 1896. 432

FOR SALE.

Messrs. Kelly & Walsh's List includes the following WORKS by Dr. ETEL:—

EUROPE IN CHINA: The History of Hongkong, from the beginning to the year 1882. Hongkong, 1895. $6.50.

HANDBOOK OF BUDDHISM: A Sanskrit-Chinese Dictionary. Second Edition. Hongkong, 1888. $2.50.

THREE LECTURES on BUDDHISM. Third Edition. Hongkong, 1884. $1.50.

FENGSHUI: Rudiments of Chinese Natural Science. Hongkong, 1873. $2.00.

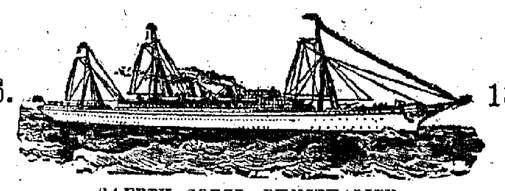
CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTON DIALECT. Four Volumes, with Appendix. Hongkong, 1877. $10.00. Bound, $11.50.

CHINESE SCHOOLBOOKS. Translated. I. The Trimetrical Classic. II. The Thousand Words Poem. $0.50 per set.

Hongkong, August 9, 1895. 1476

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF INDIA....Comdr. H. PYBUS, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 1st July/96.
EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. GEO. A. LEE, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 22nd July/96
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. ARCHIBALD, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 12th Aug./96.

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANSCONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY leaving there daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

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For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, etc., apply to

D. E. BROWN, *General Agent,*
PEDDER STREET.

Hongkong, June 10, 1896. 1188

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STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and CANADA and to EUROPE.

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Excellent accommodation. First class Table. DOCTOR and STEWARDESS carried.

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HONGKONG TO TACOMA, $225.
Rates of Passage to other Points on application.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Tacoma	2,549	Tuesday.	June 23.
Victoria	3,167	Saturday	July 11.
Olympia	2,608	Wed'day	July 29.
Braemar	3,601	Sunday	Aug. 16.
Tacoma	2,549	Thursday	Sept. 3.
Victoria	3,167	Monday.	Sept. 21.

THE Steamship *TACOMA*, Capt. T. A. WHISTLER, R.N.R., sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 23rd June, will proceed to VICTORIA (B.C.) and TACOMA (Wash.), *vid* SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate, and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer* to the care of The Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 p.m., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, June 5, 1896. 1155

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX;
ALSO
PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 24th June, at Noon the Company's Steamship *CALEDONIEN*, Commandant L. BLANC, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY.

The Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the s.s. *Polynesien*, which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails, leaving that Port on the 6th July, direct to SUEZ, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 a.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 23rd June. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, June 11, 1896. 1199

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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h.*, near the Kowloong shore *k.*, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c.*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kellett's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessel's Name.	*Anchorage.*	*Captain.*	*Flag and Rig.*	*Tons.*	*Date of Arrival.*	*Consignees or Agents.*	*Destination.*	*Remarks.*
Steamers.								
Activ	...	McIsaac	Dan. str.	319	June 16	A. R. Marty	.....	K'loon Dock
Anjer Head	...	Motyer	Brit. str.	1236	June 19	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	.....	K'loon Dock
Apennade	3 h	Iplaud	Ger. str.	673	June 20	Jebsen & Co.	.....	Cos'tan Dock
Australian	...	Helms	Brit. str.	1549	June 8	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	.....	
Azamor	8 h	Gibson	Brit. str.	2050	April 1	Bradley & Co.		
Benmohr	8 c	Boutillier	Brit. str.	1935	June 5	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Cassius	3 c	Unruh	Ger. str.	1504	June 16	Lauts, Wegener & Co.	San Francisco	25th inst.
China	5 c	Seabury	Brit. str.	2400	June 15	P. M. S. S. Co.		
Chittagong	5 c	Davey	Brit. str.	1249	June 15	Shewan & Co.	Manila	2nd prox.
Cosmopolit	3 c	Holtz	Ger. str.	671	May 28	Wieler & Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Ernest Simons	5 c	Troadec	Fch. str.	2162	June 20	Messageries Maritimes		
Evandale	7 c	Buyers	Brit. str.	2467	June 15	Mitsui Bus-an Kaisha	.....	Cos'tan Dock
Framnes	...	Wettergreen	Norw. str.	958	May 27	Wieler & Co.		
Glenearn	5 c	Murray	Brit. str.	1424	June 13	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Coast Ports	To-day
Hailoong	3 c	Davis	Brit. str.	783	June 19	Douglas Steamship Co.	Hongay	
Holstein	3 c	Bruhn	Ger. str.	1103	June 19	Jebsen & Co.	Haiphong	
Hongkong	3 c	Bastian	Fren. str.	937	June 16	A. R. Marty		
Ingraban	3 c	Piper	Ger. str.	896	June 19	Wieler & Co.		
Kachidate Maru	7 c	Narasaki	Japan. str.	2143	June 19	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha		
Kong Beng	2 h	Brater	Brit. str.	867	June 20	Yuen Fat Hong	Singapore	K'loon Dock
Kutsang	...	Payne	Ger. str.	1495	May 7	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore & Calcutta	22nd inst.
Lightning	5 c	Sponce	Brit. str.	2124	June 15	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Bangkok	23rd inst.
Machew	2 h	Farroll	Brit. str.	995	June 18	Butterfield & Swire	.....	K'loon Dock
Montalos	...	Frezabal	Span. str.	125	June 12	Order		
Ocampo	3 c	Hawkins	Brit. str.	1311	June 18	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	Singapore	23rd inst.
Onsang	5 c	Young	Brit. str.	1787	June 11	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Phra Chula Chom Klao	2 c	Pigot	Brit. str.	1012	June 20	Yuen Fat Hong	Bombay, &c.	To-day
Rohilla	5 k	Tillard	Brit. str.	2216	June 16	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Siam	3 c	Messer	Brit. str.	956	June 18	Bradley & Co.		
Strathleven	5 c	Moar	Brit. str.	1588	June 18	Chinese		
Strathlyon	3 c	Philip	Brit. str.	1510	June 14	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.		
Sultan	2 c	Raben	Norw. str.	1351	June 19	Chinese	Tacoma, &c.	23rd inst.
Tacoma	5 c	Whistler	Brit. str.	1662	June 18	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	.....	K'loon Dock
Taichiow	...	Curtis	Brit. str.	862	April 10	Yuen Fat Hong		
Tai Loe	3 c	Calender	Ger. str.	828	June 19	Meyer & Co.		
Taisang	3 c	Hogg	Brit. str.	1505	June 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai	22nd inst.
Taiwan	3 c	Benson	Brit. str.	1108	June 20	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	To-day
Thales	5 h	Douglas	Brit. str.	819	June 4	Douglas Steamship Co.	Swatow	To-morrow
Triumph	3 c	Moller	Ger. str.	700	June 18	Jebsen & Co.	Hoihow, &c.	To-morrow
Sailing Vessels.								
Columbus	...	Stover	Ger. sh.	1429	May 25	Melchers & Co.	.....	Cos'tan Dock
Commodore T. H. Allen	8 c	Herriman	Amer. sh	2416	May 22	Standard Oil Co.		
Cong	5 k	Sobrido	Span. sch.	300	June 18	Captain		
Conqueror	7 c	Lethrop	Amer. sh.	1827	June 10	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Elisabeth	3 k	Rock	Ger. bqe.	447	June 17	Wieler & Co.		
Elise	4 k	Olsen	Norw. bqe.	516	May 25	Captain		
Gerard C. Tobey	3 k	Shurtleff	Amer. bqe.	1309	May 5	Standard Oil Co.		
Glen Caladh	3 c	Lamont	Brit. bqe.	466	Mar. 1	Gilman & Co.		
Gov. Robie	2 c	Nichols	Amer. sh.	1627	May 27	Reuter, Brockelman & Co.		
Harland	...	Johnston	Brit. sh.	1694	May 25	Standard Oil Co.	.....	Ab'deen Dock
Isaac Reed	2 c	Waldo	Amer. sh.	1479	June 19	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
John Baizley	3 c		Amer. sch.	—	May 30	Order		
Lucile	3 c	Ballard	Amer. sh.	1329	Mar. 28	Captain		
Manuel Llaguno	3 c	Small	Amer. sh.	1650	April 27	Captain		
Retriever	3 c	Walls	Amer. sch.	75	April 3	Captain		
Sachem	5 c	Lancaster	Amer. sh	1311	June 12	Order		
Savona	7 c	Dinsmore	Brit. sh.	1583	June 12	Captain		
Scottish Isles	3 c	Nicol	Brit. s'.	1925	June 15	Melchers & Co.		
Sintram	3 c	Woodside	Amer. sh.	1599	April 26	Wieler & Co.		
Troop	8 c	Fritz	Brit. sh.	1526	May 4	Standard Oil Co.		
T. F. Oakes	3 c	Reid	Amer. sh.	1893	June 6	Captain		
Wandering Jew	...	Nichols	Amer. sh.	1650	Sept. 17	Captain	.....	Cos'tan Dock

Her Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	*Rig.*	*Tons.*	*Guns.*	*I.H.P.*	*Captains.*	*Where at.*
Æolus	twin-screw cruiser 2nd class	3600	21	7000	Captain Robert L. Groome	Singapore
Anaconda	despatch vessel	1730	12	3180	Commander F. G. De Lisle	Chefoo
Archer	cruiser 3rd class	1779	16	2200	Comd. C. E. Kingsmill	Shanghai
Centurion*	twin-screw battle ship	10,500	41	13,000	Captain Sp ncer B. Login	Chefoo
Daphne	sloop	1140	16	1400	Commander A. C. Galloway	Shanghai
Edgar	twin-screw cruiser 1st class	7350	6	10,000	Capt. William R. Henderson	Chefoo
Esk	gunboat 2nd class	363	2	340	Lt.-Com. H. P. Barton	Hankow
Firebrand	gunboat 2nd class	455	6	460	Lieut.-Com. Vernon Maud	Hankow
Humber	storeship	1600	—	800	Commander F. W. Wyley	Shanghai
Immortalité	armoured cruiser	5600	34	8500	Captain Edward Onichester	Nagasaki
Linnet	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	8	1050	Commander R. C Sparkes	Chemulpo
Narcissus	gun-vessel 2nd class	6,000	34	8,000	Captain H. B. Lang	Nagasaki
Peacock	armoured cruiser	2135	4	5000	Commdr. Hon. H. J. D. Laxton	Amoy
Pigmy	gunboat 1st class	735	1	1200	Lieut. Bellairs	Hakodate
Pique	gunboat 1st class	735	—	1200	Lieut. Spencer V. Y. de Horsey	Chemulpo
Plover	cruiser	3600	21	7000	Capt. Henry C. Bigge	Hongkong
Porpoise	gunboat 1st class	737	10	1200	Commander F. R. Polly	Singapore
Rainbow	cruiser 3rd class	1577	15	3500	Captain Wm. C. C. Forsyth	Yokohama
Rattler	cruiser	3600	21	7000	Lieut.-Com. Hugh Cotesworth	Bangkok
Redpole	gunboat 1st class	735	10	1200	Lieut.-Com. E. H. Grafton	Hongkong
Spartan	twin-screw cruiser 2nd class	3600	21	7000	Captain Alfred L. Winsloe	Nagasaki
Swift	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	8	1010	Commander R. K. McAlpine	Yokohama
Tamar	ex-transport	2047	—	—		Hongkong
Tweed	2nd class inshore defence	383	5	340		Hongkong
Undaunted	armoured cruiser	5600	34	8500	Captain John S. Hallifax	Hongkong
Victor Emanuel	reserve ship	5157	14	—	Commodore Boyes	Hongkong
Wivern	ocean-reference ship, armoured	2750	12	1400		Hongkong

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Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	*Flag and Rig.*	*Tons.*	*Guns.*	*H.P.*	*Captain.*	*Where at.*
Admiral Kornieloff	Russian cruiser	4950	32	6000	Captain Eltchaninoff	Vladivostock
Admiral Nakhimoff	Russian flagship	7781	32	9500	Captain Kasherininoff	Vladivostock
Albatros	Austrian gunboat	650	5	400		*en route*
Aleout	Russian gunboat	810	2	730	Captain Parenego	Vladivostock
Alger	French cruiser	4330	30	8000	Captain Boutet	Yokohama
Arcona	German cruiser	2370	18	2400	Captain A. Sarnow	Chefoo
Aspic	French gunboat	475	4	450	Commander Jouruet	Bangkok
Bayard	French flagship	6010	26	4400	Commander Fortin	Yokohama
Beautemps-Beaupré	French wooden sloop	1350	14	1000	Captain Ternet	Yokohama
Bango	Portuguese gunboat	462	5	400	Capt. A. T. Da Costa e Silva	Hongkong
Boore	Russian sloop	950	13	1150	Captain Molas	Nagasaki
Boston	U. S. cruiser	3000	8	3500	Captain F. Wildes	Shanghai
Castilla	Spanish cruiser	3290	22	4400	Capt. Enrique Sanlula	Manila
Comète	French gunboat	495	4	500	Capt. Maudet	Shanghai
Detroit	U. S. cruiser	2000	16	5400	Commander John Stark Newell	Vladivostock
Dimitri Donskoi	Russian cruiser	6000	16	7000	Captain Witthoft	Chemulpo
Don Antonio de Ulloa	Spanish cruiser	1200	4	—	Capt. Dueto	Manila
Don Juan de Austria	Spanish cruiser	1130	14	1500	Commander R. P. de Bonaure	Manila
Duguay Trouin	French cruiser	3535	19	4800	Captain Bayle	Saigon
Gaidamak	Russian gunboat	400	9	3500		Kobe
General Alava	Spanish gun-vessel	1200	—	—	Capt. Ramon Rochiquet Freijillo	Manila
Gremiastchy	Russian gunboat	1490	12	1330	Capt. Bouchanoff	Nagasaki
Ilds	German gunboat	490	4	340	Capt.-Lieut. Braun	Shanghai
Imperator Nicolai I	Russian ironclad	8800	32	8000	Capt. Foeltorsham	
Irene	German cruiser	4400	22	8000	Capt. du Bois	Chefoo
Isly	French cruiser	4380	22	8000	Captain Rivet	Yokohama
Kaiser	German flagship	7677	15	7800	Captain Zeyl	Shanghai
Korojetz	Russian sloop	1200	9	2150	Capt. Lindestroem	Chemulpo
Kormoran	German cruiser	1640	8	2800	Captain Brinkmann	Yokohama
Kreiser	Russian sloop	1330	13	1200	Capt. Beklemisheff	Nagasaki
Lion	French gunboat	540	6	500	Lieutenant Gauchet	Saigon
Lutin	French gunboat	490	4	500	Lieut.-Com. Gueydon	Saigon
Machias	U. S. cruiser	1050	16	1500	Commander Houston	Newchwang
Manila	Spanish transport	1057	2	1000	Captain Vimigra	Manila
Mandshur	Russian sloop	1200	9	1400	Commander Podiapolsk	Nagasaki
Monocacy	U. S. sloop	1370	6	950	Com. Reisinger	Tientsin
Olympia	U. S. flagship	5800	14	13,500	Captain J. J. Read	Vladivostock
Otvajny	Russian gunboat	1490	12	2000	Captain Baroht	Chemulpo
Pamiat Azova	Russian cruiser	6000	33	6000	Captain Rodionoff	Vladivostock
Pluvier	French gunboat	645	8	450	Lieut.-Commander Vidal	Bangkok
Prinzess Wilhelm	German cruiser	4495	22	8000	Captain von Holtzendorff	Nanking
Reina Cristina	Spanish cruiser	3090	19	4300	Com'der Jose Warleta	Manila
Rurik	Russian 1st class cruiser	10,930	48	18,500	Captain Kröeger	Vladivostock
Silatch	Russian gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Baranoff	Vladivostock
Sivootch	Russian cruiser	950	13	1130	Captain Astromoff	Nanking
Sophie	German cruiser	2100	14	2100	Captain Herbing	Saigon
Triomphante	French cruiser	4650	21	2400		Bangkok
Vipère	French gunboat	460	4	425	Commander Constotin	Chemulpo
Yorktown	U. S. cruiser	1700	16	3600	Commander Stockton	Chemulpo
Zabijaka	Russian cruiser	1280	12	1470	Captain Lebedeff	

A PEEP INTO THE PAST.

THE PAGET CORRESPONDENCE.*

Sir Arthur Paget was the son of the Earl of Uxbridge, and younger brother of the first Marquess of Anglesey. He was born on the 15th January, 1771, and was educated at Westminster and Christ Church, and in his twenty-first year was appointed Secretary of Legation at St. Petersburg. Here he remained for two years, when he was transferred in the same capacity to Berlin. In 1795 he returned to England, and represented Anglesey in Parliament. But three years afterwards he returned to his profession, and was appointed in succession to Munich, to Palermo, and to Vienna. In 1807 he went to the Dardanelles, to persuade the Turks to break off their alliance with France, and make peace with Russia. In this mission he was unsuccessful, and returning to England he married a daughter of the Earl of Westmoreland, and settled down for the remainder of his life on a small property which he had purchased near Netley Abbey.

One of the most remarkable letters in the first volume is written by Mr Paget, then only twenty-four, to Lord St. Helens, our Minister at The Hague, concerning the marriage of the Prince of Wales. He treats it as a matter, not, indeed, of common notoriety, but as well known in diplomatic circles, that the Princess Caroline of Brunswick had already lost her character; and implores Lord St. Helens to use all his influence to prevent so undesirable a union. Lord St. Helens replied:—

'My dear Sir,—Lord Bacon advises us "to be wary in our dealings with Kings and Princes, for that their Reason (when they have any) is a different kind of Reason from that of other men,"—and the truth of this Maxim is without doubt most strongly confirmed by the Courtship to which you allude; since tho', in a case like this of a pretty woman with an indifferent reputation, a man might naturally enough be so much captivated by the sight of her person as to be willing to marry her notwithstanding the stain on her reputation, it is in truth utterly inconceivable that he should fall in love with her reputation only, and without having seen her person. I am afraid however that the engagement is too far advanced to be now dissoluble, and therefore we must endeavour to make the best of it, and to hush up all bad stories.'

Later on—that is, nearly four years after the marriage had taken place—we have the following very curious letter addressed to Mr Paget by the Prince of Wales. It is dated the 7th of January, 1799:—

'After this long prosing Sermon which I hope you will forgive me for, my dear Arthur, though you may rate it a bore, I must write you in order to extort a smile before I conclude some little account of *Chig*—he arrived on the Saturday in the last Week, from Ireland, on Sunday he dined with me & a party to commemorate how happy we used to be with you last year, & hope to be for many years to come, the party were, viz., Bathurst, Brummell, Chig, & Bob Mongomery. After the first Glass after dinner every Round was a Bumper to you in the very best Claret I had; Chig thought it too weak. Of course stronger, the old Queen's House Claret, was produced for him which he swore was the b-pup-pup-pup-pest Cha-a-a-teau Margeau he had ever ta-a-a-sted, & tumbled about ten o'clock smack on his face, and was obliged to be carried off between two Servants. The rest were bad enough, God knows, except myself, though my every Glass was a Bumper to your health, I can safely swear I never flinched one, dear Arthur, & you well know I am not even upon indifferent occasions a *Shirker*. Since that day, the old Girl has never ceased being tipsy twice a day, first at dinner & on—but after supper—for she always makes a regular supper first—& a couple of Bottles of iced Champagne, after a couple of quarts of Small Beer which She calls, you know, a Swig of Beer, has completed about six in the morning the old Gentlewoman since she has been with us here. Upon my Word, I am quite ashamed of the length of this Scrawl. I will therefore only say that there is no one existing, my dear Arthur, who loves you more truly or sincerely than your ever affectionate GEORGE.'

Chig was the nickname of a Mr Chester, one of the Prince's set; but who was 'the old girl?'

The above letter was dated from Belvoir Castle in the month of January, 1799, and contains a good deal about the Duchess Isabella, the beautiful Duchess, who was now a widow, her husband, the fourth Duke of Rutland, having died in 1787, just when he was giving promise of a brilliant political career. When Paget was in England, between 1795 and 1798, he had made love to the Duchess, who, according to the Prince, was very warmly attached to him, but for some reason not here stated the engagement, if there was one, was broken off, and the Duchess never married again. The Prince urged Paget to give up diplomacy, marry Isabella, and devote himself to politics as a Whig; but his advice was not taken.

The chief value of the book is, of course, diplomatic, and the main string on which Sir Arthur harps throughout is the shifty and selfish policy of Prussia from the very commencement of the Revolutionary war down to the battle of Austerlitz. In 1806 he quotes with approval this opinion of her, in the words of his brother, Sir Edmund Paget:—

'However, let our Projects be what they may, I most sincerely hope & pray that they be unconnected with any Plan, Promise, or Engagement, however Solemnly Entered into, of the Court of Berlin. Heavens! what has this Power to answer for! For nothing less in my mind than every calamity which has befallen Europe for more than ten years. But I am a bold man, thus to harangue his Majesty's Minister at the Court of Vienna. The next Thing I expect to hear of is a War between Austria & Russia, as certain Turkish Provinces would be very convenient to the former as an Indemnification for Her Losses. In the mean time, My great hope is that we shall maintain our Navy at its highest Establishment and contrive some means of creating a real Army of 200,000 Men at home, and never make Peace as long as Europe remains in so complete a state of subjection. These are my Politicks, and, as every man is blockhead enough to be fond of his own Fancies, I am quite sure we shall never be able to make a Secure, durable, and Advantageous Peace untill we can confidently smile at the Threats of Invasion, and this can only be done by the Maintenance of a great & permanent force.'

In 1894, Prussia backed out of her engagements with Holland, which led to the complete subjugation of that country by the French; and in 1805, after the battle of Austerlitz, when there was still time for that disaster to have been repaired, instead of taking the field as she had promised, she made a separate peace with Napoleon, by which she obtained possession of Hanover, and agreed to close the rivers of northern Germany against the English. Even Fox himself had no words strong enough to express his detestation of her conduct. 'The conduct of Prussia,' he said in Parliament, 'has been a union of everything that is contemptible in servility with everything that is odious in rapacity.' Fox himself, however, was soon to commit a blunder which, though free from the moral turpitude of Prussia, was attended by equally serious consequences. In February, 1807, was fought the battle of Eylau between the French and the Russians, in which the victory has been claimed by both sides. The French were certainly beaten on the field; but as the Russians judged it expedient to retire during the night, they are usually represented as the defeated party. The French had been so severely handled, and their losses were so great, that if an English Army, held in readiness by Lord Castlereagh to be thrown on any point where its action seemed likely to be decisive, had been landed in the North of Germany, to co-operate with the Russians, the war would very probably have been brought to a conclusion. But when the Whigs came into office after the death of Mr Pitt, Fox was bent on reversing the policy of his predecessor at every point, and these troops, from 40,000 to 50,000 men, were recalled to England, and frittered away in Egypt and South America. It has been calculated that this blunder cost England about 400,000,000*l.*

It was partly our remissness on this point which caused the Emperor Alexander, after the battle of Friedland, to agree to the Treaty of Tilsit, July, 1807, and to assent to the 'Secret Articles' allowing Napoleon to use the Baltic Navies—Russian, Danish, and Swedish—for the conquest of England. How this design was frustrated by the daring promptitude of Canning we have already described, and almost the last letter which Paget received from that great Statesman refers to it:—

'The new friendship between France & Russia will not last. But it will last long enough, & has lasted long enough, to put us to great inconvenience. I know you will approve of the operations of Copenhagen, by which a Northern Confederacy, an Invasion of Ireland, & the shutting of the Russian ports have been prevented. Russia trembled for Cronstadt, and has disavowed any Secret Articles injurious to England; a disavowal which no amicable application had succeeded in procuring from her.—Yours,

'GEO. CANNING.'

When Paget set out for Naples he received an amusing letter from the Earl of Dalkeith, saying that, as he was going to take the place of Sir William Hamilton, he had better take over Lady Hamilton too. Paget, however, seems to have been no friend to the lady, who was then returning to England. He writes to his mother, Lady Uxbridge:—

'I hear that Lady Hamilton is moving Heaven & Earth to be received at Court, but I trust without any chance of succeeding; pray don't let that be, if you can help it, for there never was such a——. Do me the justice to acknowledge that hitherto I have said nothing about her, tho' I know enough to fill Volumes.'—*Standard.*

* 'The Paget Papers: Diplomatic and other Correspondence of the Right Hon. Sir Arthur Paget, G.C.B. 1794-1807,' Arranged and edited by his son, the Right Hon. Sir Augustus B. Paget, G.C.B., late her Majesty's Ambassador to Vienna. With Notes by Mrs J. R. Green. Two vols. London: Heinemann.

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Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ltd.	8,000	$ 100	60	$130
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Carp,	,,	110	—	鯉魚
Catfish,	,,	—	—	赤魚
Codfish, Salt,	,,	—	—	鹹鰍魚
Crabs,	,,	100	—	蟹
Cuttle Fish,	,,	90	—	墨魚
Dab,	,,	110	—	沙孟魚
Dace,	,,	110	—	黃尾鯽
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Eels, Conger,	,,	—	—	海鰻
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Eels, Yellow,	,,	60	—	黃鰻
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Frogs,	,,	200	—	田鷄
Fresh Fish,	,,	110	—	鮮魚
Garoupa,	,,	250	—	石斑
Gudgeon,	,,	90	—	白鮀魚
Gurnard,	,,	90	—	紅角
Herrings,	,,	100	—	鰽白
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Halibut,	catty	120	—	鞋底甲
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Rock Fish,	,,	80	—	石狗公
Roach,	,,	—	—	鱭魚
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Shark,	,,	50	—	鯊魚
Salt Fish,	,,	100	—	鹹魚
Skate,	,,	50	—	鯆魚
Shrimps,	,,	160	—	蝦
Snapper,	,,	180	—	立魚
Soles,	,,	150	—	龍沙魚
Tench,	,,	—	—	鯰魚
Turbot,	,,	130	—	左口魚
Turtles, small, fresh water,	,,	300	—	龍魚
Whiting,	catty	—	—	長魚
White Bait,	,,	—	—	銀魚仔
Fruits.				菓子
Apples, (Californin),	catty	—	—	金山平菓
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Carambola,	,,	—	—	楊桃
Cocoanuts,	each	50	—	椰子
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Lichees, Dried,	,,	200	—	荔枝乾
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Beet Root,	each	10	—	紅菜頭
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Brassica,	,,	20	—	白菜
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Cabbage, Shanghai,	each	100	—	椰菜
Cauliflower,	,,	—	—	椰菜花
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Celery, Chinese,	,,	30	—	唐芹菜
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,, Green,	,,	20	—	生蔥
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Okroes,	,,	40	—	毛茄
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